IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE e application of: Selifonov et al. Attorney Docket No.: MXGNP001X2 0124.510 Application No.: 09 539,486 RECEIVED Examiner: Zhou S. Filed: March 30, 2000 AUG 0 6 2003 Group: 1631 Title: METHODS FOR MAKING CHARACTER TECH CENTER 1600/2900 STRINGS, POLYNUCLEOTIDES AND POLYPEPTIDES HAVING DESIRED **CHARACTERISTICS** CERTIFICATE OF MAILING Thereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail on July 29, 2003 in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop RCL, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EX'AMINATION (RCE) (37 CFR §1.114) Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application. NOTE: If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. \$1.53(d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

	a.	i.	Previously submitted Consider the amendment reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered) Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
		iii.	Other
	b.	\boxtimes	Enclosed
		i.	Amendment/Reply
		ii.	Affidavit/Declaration
		iii.	Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
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2. **Fees**: (The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

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	TOTAL 750.00							
	SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)							
	a. Applicant hereby petitions for a 2-month extension of time.							
	b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.							
$\overline{}$	c. Enclosed is our Check No. 7688 in the amount of \$1160.00 to cover the RCE fee and extension of time fees.							
•	d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. MXGNP001X2)							
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	44	MINUS	98	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3	0	x 42 =	x 84 = 0.00
Multiple Depe	ndent Claim Pro	\$140.00	\$280.00			
				Total	S	\$0.00

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a 2 month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.

 $[\cdot]$ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

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 $[\ \]$ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. MXGNP001X2).

Respectfully submitted,

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